

October 7, 2010

The Board of Public Works & Safety met at 4:00 p.m. on the above date in the Meeting Room at City Hall Annex with Mayor Tucker presiding and members Fuelling and Higgins attending. Others attending were Chief Waters; Chief Beloat; Comm. Maynard; Supt. Givens; Attorney Higgins; David and Judy Whitten; Joe Winiger; Jeff Pruitt – Southwest Indiana Economic Development Commission; Bill Newman; Sherry Willis; Pam Robinson – Posey County News; and Sara Manifold – Mount Vernon Democrat.

Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order by stating members were either mailed or hand carried copies of the minutes of their previous meeting and by asking if there were any corrections or additions. He added if not, he entertains a motion to waive their reading and to approve the minutes as presented. Board member Fuelling moved the reading of the minutes be waived and they be approved as presented. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker requested action on the claims presented.

Board member Higgins moved the claims presented be allowed for payment. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

*****CLAIMS*****

Mayor Tucker stated the will now hear the reports of the Departments.

Chief Beloat stated they conducted interviews after the last meeting for a hiring list for the police department. He added he would like to make that the official hiring list, as recommended by the hiring board, effective until July 31, 2011.

Board member Fuelling moved the list be official until July 31, 2011, as recommended. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Chief Beloat then reported he has a request from the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy for Ben Bohleber and Thomas Rueger to teach a class in Plainfield November 11 and 12. He added the class is on emergency vehicle training and the city police department receives credit for the academy as training hours. They will need a hotel and the city credit card, and will be leaving on the 10th of November.

Board member Higgins moved permission to attend be given as well as use of the credit card and city vehicle. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously. He then asked if there were any questions ?
There were none.

Chief Waters reported they have been having issues with the ladder truck and he took it to Peoria this past week. He stated they had to rework the computer and as of now, it seems to be working fine. He then stated Fire Service is currently down servicing the other trucks.

Board member Fuelling stated it was a good deal that Chief Waters drove the truck to Peoria to have the work done. Had he not done that, the city would have been charged a service call and possibly still had to turn around and take it to Peoria.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?
There were none.

Supt. Givens reported he sent the comment letter to IDEM today that they had discussed at the last meeting. He then stated Paul Householder, who was wanting separate water and sewer meters, contacted him again and the meter is installed and working properly. He stated they now need to figure out how to charge this type of service. He continued his report by stating Carlton Lane was paved and he did contact Rudolph about some issues with the paving that need addressed.

Board member Higgins asked if he has come up with a date yet for the dedication ?

Supt. Givens replied around the 20th or 21st. He added Wednesday the 20th would be better.

Board member Higgins stated the 21st is another Board meeting day.

Supt. Givens asked that they hold the 20th open and he will get back with them. He continued his report by stating he would like permission for himself and at least one other employee to attend the IWEA Conference in Indianapolis on November 15 – 19, 2010. He added they need to attend to get their CEU's for the licenses. They will also need the city credit card and city vehicle.

Board member Higgins moved permission to attend, use credit card and city vehicle be given. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?
There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously. He then asked if there were any questions ?
There were none.

Comm. Maynard stated he would like permission for himself, Roger Bebout, and Don Rye to attend the pest management conference at Purdue the second week of January. He added he does not have the exact dates in front of him, but if they register early they get a discount. He stated it is a Monday through Friday conference and they need it to get their CEU's for the licenses to spray for mosquitoes and weeds. Board member Fuelling moved permission to attend be given as well as use of the city credit card.

Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?
There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Comm. Maynard continued his report by stating the street department replaced a culvert in County Club Estates and that work is now done except for paving the street cut.

Board member Fuelling stated he would like to commend Comm. Maynard and his men for the work they did at the riverfront on the trees. He added they went above and beyond in their efforts and it was a big job – he much appreciates it.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?
There were none.

Mayor Tucker stated they are now ready for the Legal portion of the Agenda and opening Bids received for the silo demolition project.

Clerk-Treasurer Sitzman opened the bids in the order in which they were received, as follows:

1. Velpen Trucking and Disposal Co, Inc. – accompanied by Bid Bond
\$374,500.00
2. National Salvage & Service Corp – accompanied by Bid Bond
\$678,000.00
3. Klenck Company – accompanied by Bid Bond
\$312,489.00

Board acknowledge receipt of bids, which will be now be reviewed by Attorney Higgins for legality and adherence to specifications.

Mayor Tucker stated he would like to thank the Silo Committee – Board member Fuelling, Joe Winiger, and Steve Koenig – thanks to everyone involved. The community thanks them as well.

Board member Fuelling asked that once the bid is awarded, is there a timeframe for getting the silos down ?

Attorney Higgins replied they can begin work the following week and there was a deadline cited in the bid packets.

Board member Fuelling added he is excited to see the work begin.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any other Legals ?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker asked if anyone in the Audience wished to address the Board ?

There was no response.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any Old Business ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any New Business ?

Board member Fuelling stated he solicited bids on the upper part of the riverfront, smoothing out to a four to one grade, seeding and strawing. He added he received one back:

Russell's Excavating & Septic Tanks, Inc. \$9,000.00

Mayor Tucker asked if tried for three quotes ?

Board member Fuelling replied he did, but only received one response. He added if the bids go they way they should on the silo, they could pay the \$9,000 out of the silo donation money.

Board member Higgins moved they proceed with Russell's quote on the upper riverfront work. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Board member Fuelling then stated he has received a request for a street light half way down the block in front of the parish office at St. Matthews. He added they have experienced some vandalism in the area and it is very dark. He believes that a light on the west side of the street would take care of it.

It was decided that Board member Fuelling and Chief Beloat would get together at the location for further study and discussion.

Chief Beloat added the Safe Schools/Healthy Kids campaign may be able to help on this.

Board member Fuelling questioned the striping on Water Street ?

Board member Higgins replied that will be brought up on Monday evening in the form of an Ordinance.

Mayor Tucker stated the porch in front of the police and fire station building is falling apart and he has received some emergency estimates to fix it, as follows:

Midwest Masonry Solutions	\$ 1,250.00
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TNT Construction	\$ 2,800.00
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Board member Higgins moved the Board accept the low bid of Midwest Masonry. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker stated if there was no further business, he entertains a motion to adjourn.

Board member Higgins moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously and adjourned the meeting.

John Tucker
Mayor

ATTEST:

Cristi L. Sitzman
Clerk-Treasurer